

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY

MARCH, 1966

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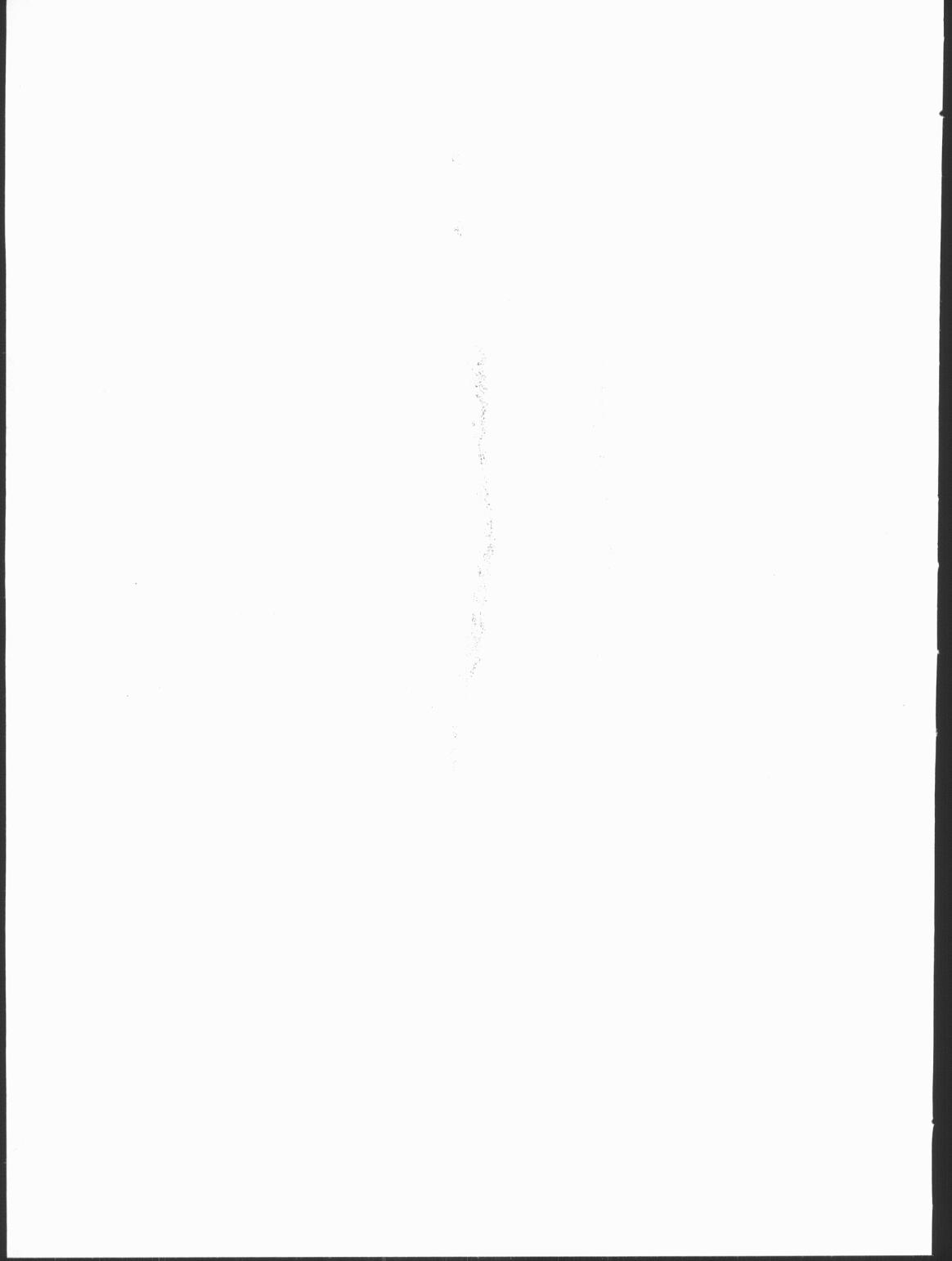
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MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA - MARCH, 1966

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POPULATION ESTIMATESWhole State: at 30th September, 1965Metropolitans: at 30th June, 1965

Males - 411,338 Females - 399,505 Persons - 810,843

Persons - 465,000

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES

Particulars	Quarter ended SEPTEMBER -				Nine Months ended SEPTEMBER			
	1965		1964		1965		1964	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Births	4,194	20.77	3,956	19.99	12,122	20.07	12,270	20.74
Deaths	1,832	9.07	1,806	9.12	4,766	7.89	4,695	7.94
Marriages	1,440	7.13	1,200	6.06	4,784	7.92	4,332	7.32
Infant Mortality (b)	93	22.17	72	18.20	266	21.94	240	19.56

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births. (b) Deaths under one year.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Item	Three Months ended 31st December -		Six Months ended 31st December -	
	1965		1964	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue - Total	55,859,132	47,212,106	98,947,352	85,538,006
Per Head of Population	68.62	59.26	122.00	107.63
Expenditure - Total	55,513,574	48,280,112	103,407,084	90,885,360
Per Head of Population	68.20	60.61	127.51	114.35

SALES OF GOODS AND SALES TAX COLLECTED

Item	Period of Receipt of Return			
	JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Sales Exempt from Tax	36,071	33,737	280,149	233,863
Net Taxable Sales	13,759	13,563	96,199	85,168
Tax Collected	1,814	1,662	13,045	11,423

TRADING BANKS

Year	Average Weekly Clearings (\$ million)											
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1964	67.2	66.7	70.2	66.4	67.8	65.6	67.1	66.1	64.0	72.3	72.0	77.0
1965	76.5	78.3	77.0	75.6	78.6	78.7	74.1	73.9	71.0	85.2	82.7	88.1
1966	99.9	88.5										

SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances	At the end of JANUARY -		
	1966	1965	1964
	\$	\$	\$
Total	277,576,000	254,297,676	228,601,622
Per Head of Population	339.3	317.9	291.3

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Seven Months ended JANUARY -					
	1966			1965		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
Sequestration Orders	120	\$ 441,368	\$ 93,584	127	\$ 471,962	\$ 89,688
Compositions and Assignments without Sequestration	40	1,046,972	977,010	43	436,874	182,872

COMPANIES REGISTERED

Type of Company	JANUARY -		Seven Months ended JANUARY -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
Local	No.	31	22	333
Nominal Capital	\$'000	1,840	1,305	21,293
Foreign	No.	22	14	141
				139

CROWN LAND TRANSACTIONS

Type of Transaction	JANUARY -		Twelve Months ended DECEMBER -	
	1966	1965	1965	1964
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Land Conditionally Alienated	30,733	52,628	1,078,314	910,885
Pastoral, Special and Miscellaneous Leases Issued by Lands Department	259,964	19,160	2,569,698	1,117,370

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Titles	JANUARY -		Seven Months ended JANUARY -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
Transfers	No.	1,976	2,169	15,971
	\$	11,312,964	13,536,774	98,690,036
Mortgages	No.	1,551	1,620	12,410
	\$	8,672,256	9,984,660	75,962,976
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	1,228	1,268	9,938
				10,062

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS OPERATIONS

Item	DECEMBER -		Six Months ended DECEMBER -	
	1965	1964	1965	1964
Gross Earnings	\$ 3,850,200	\$ 3,048,600	\$ 18,944,600	\$ 16,243,600
Operating Expenses	\$ 2,939,362	\$ 2,734,366	\$ 17,389,234	\$ 16,602,842
Revenue Train Miles	714,922	646,916	3,846,318	3,503,293
Passengers Carried (a) -				
Train	764,192	794,364	5,192,032	5,225,025
Omnibus	19,796	20,955	134,203	132,381
Tonnage Carried -				
Paying Traffic:				
Goods	542,150	397,671	2,476,020	2,053,916
Livestock	8,001	7,593	63,258	60,476
Departmental Traffic	33,365	32,794	262,612	272,725
Total	583,516	438,058	2,801,890	2,387,117
Net Ton Mileage -				
Paying Traffic:				
Goods	85,224,210	65,949,013	402,374,741	327,897,475
Livestock	1,587,671	1,339,333	12,285,239	10,215,983
Departmental Traffic	3,480,621	3,688,521	26,780,016	25,331,513
Total	90,292,502	70,976,867	441,439,996	363,444,971

(a) Based on ticket sales, making allowance for periodical tickets.

EXTERNAL TRADE

(\$'000)

Period	IMPORTS			EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)		
	Oversea	Interstate	Total	Oversea	Interstate	Total
1960-61	110,531	245,474	356,005	319,077	90,461	409,538
1961-62	100,178	245,208	345,386	296,997	84,626	381,623
1962-63	112,640	313,711	426,351	254,727	91,636	346,363
1963-64	121,678	323,176	444,854	295,791	101,885	397,676
1964-65	153,541	343,317	496,858	251,291	120,750	372,041
Five Months ended November, 1964	54,026	109,746	163,772	92,254	36,230	128,484
1965	79,400	122,420	201,820	106,194	45,132	151,326

PRODUCTION OF GOLD (f) AND COAL

(As reported to the Department of Mines)

Item	DECEMBER		Twelve Months ended DECEMBER -	
	1965	1964	1965	1964
GOLD -				
Quantity	Fine oz.	55,359	58,702	656,273
Value (a)	\$	1,729,970	1,834,449	20,508,537
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies	\$	848,234	1,368,546	2,362,094
COAL -				
Quantity	tons	83,728	80,907	993,741
Value	\$	357,762	381,827	4,409,972

(f) Includes gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. (a) Excludes amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold, and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

ITEMS OF FACTORY PRODUCTION

Commodity (a)	Item	DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER	
		1965	1964	1965	1964
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid Fuel	number	421	361	2,575	2,354
Bricks - Clay	'000	9,973	10,265	71,535	75,503
Fibrous Plaster - Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	122	119	841	784
" " - Acoustic Tiles	sq. yd.	(b)	2,338	(b)	16,569
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	(b)	4,139	(b)	20,514
Plaster of Paris	"	1,646	1,931	10,857	10,824
Paints and Enamels, Ready-mixed (excluding Water Paints)	gallon	51,743	51,605	296,691	278,695
Timber, Sawn (from Local Logs) (c)	'000 super. ft.	15,642	15,349	113,888	103,978
<u>Clothing</u>					
Pyjamas, Woven Fabric -					
Men's and Boys'	dozen	581	726	4,076	5,365
Shirts (all types) - Men's and Boys'	"	5,346	5,019	35,699	36,765
Suits - Men's and Youths' -					
2 and 3 piece	number	929	961	5,476	5,807
Trousers - Men's and Youths' -					
Sports	"	7,863	13,316	72,791	72,462
Work (including Jeans)	"	3,962	6,532	49,322	62,142
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (d)	pair	57,706	50,872	438,987	465,411
Slippers	"	17,346	9,740	58,804	55,548
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallons	1,471	996	4,362	3,225
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	68,988	47,840	227,484	157,788
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	1,018	989	4,934	4,864
Butter (e)	"	1,843	1,848	14,044	12,364
Cheese (e)	"	199	418	1,977	2,978
Flour - Plain (f)	ton (2,000 lb.)	10,445	11,403	61,523	76,913
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Bran	ton (2,000 lb.)	1,970	2,107	11,687	14,444
Electricity Generated	million kWh	131	118	797	719
Gas (Town) Produced	million cub.ft.	108	117	778	777
Iron - Pig-iron	ton	2,869	4,324	17,712	24,374
Mattresses - Soft-filled (g)	number	8,488	6,381	40,271	33,019
Pollard	ton (2,000 lb.)	1,291	1,329	8,897	11,017
Sulphuric Acid	ton	29,825	26,532	181,585	149,590
Superphosphate	ton	80,185	73,005	482,260	391,470
Wool - Scoured	'000 lb.	2,231	1,948	14,997	12,743

(a) Includes quantities produced and used in own works. (b) Not available for publication.
 (c) Includes railway sleepers and plywood veneers in terms of super. feet. (d) Excludes sandshoes, rubber thongs and other footwear wholly of rubber. (e) Particulars from Dairy Products Equalization Committee Ltd. (f) Includes quantities used for making self-raising flour. (g) Including rubber, plastic foam and sponge.

TIMBER - LOGS SAWN (a)

'000 super. feet
(Hoppus measure)

Particulars	DECEMBER		Six Months ended DECEMBER	
	1965	1964	1965	1964
Logs (a) -				
Hardwood	34,715	33,420	258,272	229,408
Pines	1,217	1,882	8,784	11,103
Total	35,932	35,302	267,056	240,511

(a) Local logs - including local logs used by plywood mills.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED AND MEAT PRODUCED

<u>LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a)</u>					
Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
December, 1965	22,737	1,565	141,116	65,461	18,219
1964	23,038	2,435	103,683	64,412	15,449
Six Months ended December, 1965	158,486	10,602	802,682	514,523	103,920
1964	153,013	14,668	616,492	471,677	96,399
<u>MEAT PRODUCED (Dressed Carcass Weight) (b)</u> (Tons)					
Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat(c)
December, 1965	4,371	68	2,651	968	915
1964	4,307	115	1,992	965	780
Six Months ended December, 1965	31,017	462	15,504	7,421	5,601
1964	28,593	625	11,991	6,800	5,248

(a) Excludes livestock slaughtered for boiling down and livestock slaughtered for human consumption but subsequently condemned. (b) Excludes offal. (c) Includes quantities used to produce bacon and ham.

WHOLE MILK : PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION (a)

('000 gallons)

Period	Total Production	Quantity of Whole Milk used for -		
		Butter(b)	Cheese(b)	Other Purposes(c)
December, 1965	5,827	3,779	204	1,844
1964	5,988	3,781	412	1,795
Six Months ended December, 1965	42,042	28,818	2,023	11,201
1964	39,192	25,300	2,931	10,961

(a) Preliminary estimates. (b) Factory production only. (c) Principally for household consumption. Includes milk used for production of farm butter and cheese.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Period	Accidents						Casualties				
	Non-casualty Accidents (a)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents (a)		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		
	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State	
1961	4,221	6,111	2,391	3,528	6,612	9,639	79	172	3,110	4,779	
1962	4,482	6,556	2,586	3,685	7,068	10,241	83	177	3,425	5,077	
1963	6,207	8,583	2,913	4,057	9,120	12,640	110	198	3,734	5,399	
1964	7,658	10,283	2,859	4,062	10,517	14,345	88	222	3,761	5,450	
1965	10,126	12,730	3,001	4,170	13,127	16,900	105	252	3,930	5,631	
1964 - December	670	911	239	330	909	1,241	11	21	313	443	
1965 - January	613	805	205	287	818	1,092	7	20	311	427	
February	579	731	220	311	799	1,042	14	23	284	412	
March	685	904	258	366	943	1,270	8	16	323	469	
April	843	1,083	236	339	1,079	1,422	10	18	297	460	
May	1,025	1,254	252	361	1,277	1,615	11	28	347	511	
June	934	1,178	264	370	1,198	1,548	7	23	335	485	
July	1,002	1,217	278	379	1,280	1,596	9	23	342	494	
August	1,010	1,265	279	364	1,289	1,629	13	20	359	496	
September	895	1,105	232	309	1,127	1,414	5	23	315	427	
October	938	1,163	263	365	1,201	1,528	8	17	335	478	
November	810	997	255	351	1,065	1,348	6	20	331	462	
December	792	1,028	259	368	1,051	1,396	7	21	351	510	

(a) Excludes non-casualty accidents where estimated damage was \$50 or less. (b) Metropolitan Traffic Area.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED (a)

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State				
	Motor Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total	Motor Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total
1961	6,947	1,871	2,251	591	11,660	10,670	3,228	5,174	903	19,975
1962	11,161	3,200	2,883	651	17,915	16,670	5,151	6,142	898	28,861
1963	12,594	3,766	3,036	470	19,866	18,426	6,049	6,876	683	32,034
1964	11,602	3,675	3,194	369	18,840	17,128	5,982	7,042	568	30,720
1965	11,574	3,374	3,691	387	19,026	16,989	5,705	8,130	588	31,412
1964 - December	1,037	383	268	29	1,717	1,586	625	581	47	2,839
1965 - January	808	277	185	31	1,301	1,159	429	402	42	2,032
February	825	304	241	34	1,404	1,193	451	500	52	2,196
March	1,197	334	252	45	1,828	1,699	559	590	62	2,910
April	1,053	340	309	34	1,736	1,598	604	612	50	2,864
May	992	294	290	27	1,603	1,419	522	590	38	2,569
June	973	290	285	25	1,573	1,476	503	571	44	2,594
July	1,056	269	419	22	1,766	1,583	485	922	43	3,033
August	1,072	350	403	25	1,850	1,539	531	839	44	2,953
September	777	215	328	28	1,348	1,101	359	744	43	2,247
October	870	215	345	45	1,475	1,259	381	821	65	2,526
November	964	227	323	34	1,548	1,395	402	824	56	2,677
December	987	259	311	37	1,594	1,568	479	715	49	2,811
1966 - January	877	242	280	40	1,439	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)

(a) Commonwealth-owned vehicles (other than those of the defence services) listed with the Commonwealth Registry, Canberra are included with Whole State figures only. (b) Including motor scooters. (c) Not yet available.

MOTOR VEHICLES ON REGISTER (a)

Date (End of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State			
	Motor Cars and Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total	Motor Cars and Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total
1955 - December (c)	60,210	22,743	8,830	91,783	95,032	61,161	13,012	169,205
1960 - June December	84,223	25,752	8,838	118,813	130,476	68,702	12,876	212,054
	89,558	26,328	8,805	124,691	137,333	70,219	12,716	220,268
1961 - June December	92,370	26,575	8,771	127,716	141,612	70,974	12,589	225,175
	96,600	27,139	8,751	132,490	147,696	72,289	12,450	232,435
1962 - June December (c)	101,850	27,598	8,732	138,180	155,447	74,224	12,390	242,061
	110,028	28,486	8,714	147,228	165,637	75,531	12,257	253,425
1963 - June December	114,459	28,386	8,205	151,050	170,781	75,748	11,649	258,178
	122,025	29,010	7,762	158,797	181,424	77,738	10,960	270,122
1964 - June December	127,393	29,419	7,403	164,215	189,251	78,239	10,449	277,939
	131,793	29,700	6,738	168,231	195,818	78,470	9,602	283,890
1965 - March June September	134,230	29,882	6,589	170,701	198,326	78,362	9,469	286,157
	136,719	30,025	6,388	173,132	202,914	79,316	9,244	291,474
	138,635	30,384	6,083	175,102	205,179	79,728	8,800	293,707

(a) Commonwealth-owned vehicles (other than those of the defence services) listed with the Commonwealth Registry, Canberra are included with Whole State figures only. At the 30th September, 1965 there were 1,365 such vehicles comprising 136 motor cars, 170 station wagons, 345 utilities, 274 panel vans, 410 trucks, 17 omnibuses and 13 motor cycles. (b) Including motor scooters. (c) Census figures, 31st December. (d) Comprises 149,799 motor cars, 15,838 station wagons, 37,784 utilities, 8,585 panel vans, 27,797 trucks, 1,365 omnibuses (including 74 trolley-buses) and 12,257 motor cycles (including 5,468 motor scooters).

BUILDING PERMITS AND APPROVALS

Period	New Houses and Flats (Individual Units)				Other New Buildings			Grand Total, including Additions & Alterations			
	Private	Govt.	Total	\$'000	Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total	\$'000
1963-64	7,401	1,876	9,277	62,086	23,508	30,126	53,634	83,278	41,132	124,410	
1964-65	7,230	2,135	9,365	69,686	41,884	20,388	62,272	107,296	34,578	141,874	
1965 - January	502	183	685	4,670	2,478	810	3,288	6,706	1,956	8,662	
February	558	76	634	4,862	1,594	2,740	4,334	6,730	3,240	9,970	
March	605	121	726	5,540	7,160	1,842	9,002	12,794	2,714	15,508	
April	494	165	659	5,008	2,574	2,394	4,968	7,134	3,692	10,826	
May	639	270	909	6,562	3,436	758	4,194	9,288	2,352	11,640	
June	723	248	971	9,056	9,710	2,436	12,146	17,968	4,104	22,072	
July	511	170	681	4,992	1,802	4,320	6,122	6,776	5,358	12,134	
August	582	230	812	5,910	1,592	2,754	4,346	7,000	4,234	11,234	
September	548	206	754	5,564	1,906	2,636	4,542	6,816	3,996	10,812	
October	623	166	789	5,762	2,480	1,584	4,064	8,006	2,634	10,640	
November	600	160	760	5,818	2,364	1,092	3,456	7,962	2,208	10,170	
December	507	191	698	5,098	1,318	872	2,190	5,846	2,098	7,944	
1966 - January	405	127	532	3,906	1,689	1,557	3,246	5,223	2,379	7,602	

BUILDING OPERATIONS

The figures in the two following tables cover the activities of building contractors who undertake the construction of new buildings; the building operations of Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities; and work performed by owner-builders.

NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings (a)				Factories	Other		Total		
	Owner-built		By Contractors, etc.							
	No.	Value	No.	Value		No.	Value	No.	Value	
Year -		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		
1960-61	1,014	5,556	5,433	35,272	144	4,736	900	26,486	7,491	72,050
1961-62	1,101	6,252	5,291	35,868	125	3,038	877	22,914	7,394	68,072
1962-63	985	5,972	6,305	46,004	187	4,912	993	29,540	8,470	86,428
1963-64	1,000	6,622	7,629	52,722	228	5,384	1,019	28,140	9,876	92,868
1964-65	1,176	7,802	8,161	61,360	255	6,816	1,116	31,122	10,708	107,100
Quarter -										
1964 - December	393	2,386	2,173	16,538	56	970	281	6,914	2,903	26,808
1965 - March	281	2,040	2,087	15,466	66	1,844	301	10,406	2,735	29,756
June	262	1,864	1,939	15,484	66	1,304	278	6,878	2,545	25,530
September	178	1,236	2,022	15,982	62	1,132	314	10,370	2,576	28,720
December	288	1,878	1,931	15,930	85	2,316	295	11,834	2,599	31,958

(a) Comprises Houses, Shop Dwellings, Flats (Individual Units), Hotels, Guest-houses, etc.

NEW HOUSES COMPLETED
(Includes Owner-built Houses)

Period	Material of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone, Cement, etc.		Wood or predominantly Wood		Fibro-cement or predominantly Fibro-cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
Year -		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000
1960-61	4,475	30,352	13	60	1,462	7,652	23	38	5,973	38,102
1961-62	4,486	30,946	79	724	1,427	7,640	90	160	6,082	39,470
1962-63	5,222	38,166	52	294	1,302	7,274	17	46	6,593	45,780
1963-64	5,739	42,716	34	162	1,463	8,818	40	78	7,276	51,774
1964-65	5,871	47,094	27	148	1,454	9,700	93	296	7,445	57,238
Quarter -										
1964 - December	1,477	12,132	6	24	487	3,128	19	52	1,989	15,336
1965 - March	1,465	11,642	2	12	345	2,368	49	156	1,861	14,178
June	1,564	12,776	6	64	308	2,132	9	40	1,887	15,012
September	1,361	11,108	4	34	396	2,946	15	60	1,776	14,148
December	1,439	11,950	6	28	382	2,460	10	30	1,837	14,468

AVERAGE PRICES OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1965												1966
		January	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	October	Nov.	Dec.	January
FRUIT														
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	2.50	2.70	2.02	2.06	1.48	1.45	1.44	1.42	0.92	1.24	1.37	1.23	1.62
Oranges - Navel	bush.	-	-	-	-	3.32	2.88	2.68	2.91	3.27	3.53	-	-	-
- Val.	bush.	2.82	2.82	2.86	2.78	2.32	-	-	-	2.79	3.10	3.47	3.62	4.32
Bananas - Local	lb.	0.10	0.10	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.13	0.11	0.12	0.10	0.09
Apples - Gr. Smith	bush.	-	-	-	1.58	1.44	1.42	1.49	1.73	1.78	1.63	2.86	2.88	2.37
- Other	bush.	-	2.88	2.21	1.95	1.84	2.10	2.29	2.85	2.61	2.59	2.78	2.52	2.94
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	2.50	1.62	1.82	1.77	1.92	1.90	2.15	-	-	-	-	-
Apricots	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	5.56	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.13	3.27
Nectarines	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	3.02	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.93
Plums	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	3.26	1.84	2.31	2.79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.77	2.22
Peaches	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	3.60	1.87	2.11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.22	2.78
Grapes	Open flat cases	3.39	3.39	2.57	2.45	2.56	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.96
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate	0.98	1.91	1.18	1.27	1.32	1.40	0.93	1.02	0.53	0.50	0.58	0.82	1.46
Cauliflowers	dozen	-	1.99	1.60	1.62	2.08	2.04	2.28	1.84	1.43	1.62	2.07	1.78	-
Lettuce	crate	2.22	1.47	1.08	1.20	1.62	1.25	1.14	1.28	1.03	2.04	1.22	1.17	1.29
Table Celery	doz. head	1.28	1.32	1.27	1.00	0.71	0.67	0.77	0.63	0.92	0.84	1.09	1.60	1.42
Beetroot (a)	dump bag (b)	1.72	1.24	1.48	0.95	0.94	1.22	1.85	2.47	2.72	2.71	2.11	1.29	1.15
Carrots (a)	dump bag (b)	1.21	1.28	1.20	1.22	1.42	1.52	1.52	1.50	1.28	0.91	1.29	0.82	0.98
Parsnips (a)	dump bag (b)	4.30	3.92	3.68	1.87	2.12	2.44	2.78	2.68	1.81	1.58	1.55	1.37	1.41
Turnips	dump bag (b)	0.87	2.30	1.78	0.84	1.39	1.18	2.47	1.94	0.46	0.47	0.81	0.97	0.97
Swedes (a)	dump bag (b)	4.24	3.61	2.91	2.76	2.85	2.62	3.64	3.32	2.13	1.28	1.34	2.52	2.86
Runner Beans	lb.	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.11	0.13	0.10	0.17	0.13	0.10	0.08	0.18	0.10	0.16
Peas	lb.	0.10	0.15	0.14	0.13	0.14	0.19	0.18	0.11	0.08	0.07	0.11	0.14	0.16
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	0.08	0.10	0.06	0.05	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.08	0.08
Pumpkin	bag	5.15	4.03	1.82	2.25	2.04	1.92	2.06	2.55	2.72	3.69	4.37	3.58	2.82
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	2.00	2.53	1.66	1.38	2.24	2.95	3.79	3.10	5.41	5.54	4.58	3.48	6.78
Onions (c)	ton	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	(d)	(d)	90.00	90.00	90.00
Potatoes (e)	ton	75.50	75.50	75.50	80.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	90.00	90.00

(a) Prior to April, 1965 prices are estimated in terms of standard dump bag - unweighed. (b) Standard dump bag - unweighed. (c) Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants, delivered Metropolitan Area. (d) Onion Pool closed. (e) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants, F.O.R. Perth.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

A price has not been shown where sales of a particular item were not sufficient for that month.

Item	1965												1966
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January
SHEEP	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Suckers	8.01	-	-	-	-	-	10.25	9.08	8.49	8.11	8.41	8.12	8.78
Lambs -													
In Wool	-	-	8.65	8.81	10.28	10.19	9.78	9.37	-	-	-	-	9.46
Shorn	7.94	8.11	7.87	-	-	8.83	9.05	6.98	7.66	7.14	6.88	6.88	7.78
Hoggets -													
In Wool	-	-	8.60	-	9.33	8.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	7.69	7.88	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.29	-	-
Ewes -													
In Wool	-	7.68	6.01	6.52	7.18	7.38	7.64	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	5.72	5.86	4.92	5.06	-	6.01	6.08	5.83	5.62	6.00	5.79	5.23	5.49
Wethers -													
In Wool	8.47	8.02	7.36	7.49	9.02	8.79	8.80	8.16	-	-	-	-	9.04
Shorn	7.19	7.12	5.92	6.08	6.61	7.12	6.68	6.68	6.46	6.71	6.19	6.05	6.69
CATTLE													
Baby Beef	76.32	78.02	82.08	94.55	98.68	91.09	93.72	87.45	86.23	84.28	85.22	79.24	78.12
Heifers	-	-	-	121.23	-	101.02	98.64	98.12	94.15	90.08	90.08	-	-
Cows	96.98	99.61	105.42	109.42	116.01	109.04	111.62	111.23	113.21	104.32	113.18	107.29	117.67
Steers	104.95	108.15	110.75	122.28	130.70	119.03	120.18	115.47	120.75	115.26	115.55	114.37	113.46
PIGS													
Slips	-	-	13.15	13.96	12.55	14.21	-	12.02	-	14.87	12.20	-	13.74
Porkers	22.57	22.18	21.55	21.86	23.10	23.47	22.83	22.70	23.02	23.50	23.89	22.27	22.82
Baconers	35.72	34.62	32.73	34.03	33.83	35.15	33.82	34.08	36.52	35.71	35.33	36.54	35.50

AVERAGE PRICES OF POULTRY PER LB. (LIVEWEIGHT) - SOLD AT THE METROPOLITAN MARKETS

Turkey Hens	-	-	-	0.26	0.28	0.28	0.30	0.30	0.33	-	0.32	0.35	-
" Cocks	-	-	-	0.29	0.28	0.28	0.29	0.30	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.36	-
Ducks	0.26	0.24	0.26	0.24	0.25	0.26	0.28	0.27	0.26	0.31	0.35	0.32	0.23
Drakes	0.26	0.25	0.25	0.24	0.26	0.27	0.22	0.28	0.28	0.32	0.31	0.33	0.22
Geese	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.27	-	-
Cockerels	0.20	0.22	0.23	0.25	0.26	0.26	0.23	0.24	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.27	-
Caponers	0.22	0.27	0.24	-	-	0.28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hens	0.14	0.16	0.17	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.16	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.16

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Employees in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces)

(Thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Total	Month	Males	Females	Total
1954 - June	141.2	43.2	184.4	1964 - December	168.1	59.5	227.7
1955 - June	144.5	45.1	189.6	1965 - January	168.9	59.4	228.4
1956 - June	144.7	46.3	191.0	February	169.8	61.2	231.0
1957 - June	143.3	46.1	189.4	March	170.0	62.3	232.2
1958 - June	143.1	47.3	190.4	April	170.9	62.6	233.5
1959 - June	144.9	48.4	193.3	May	171.2	62.6	233.8
1960 - June	147.5	50.4	197.9	June	171.5	62.9	234.4
1961 - June	148.5	51.2	199.7	July	172.2	63.2	235.4
1962 - June	154.7	53.4	208.1	August	173.3	63.5	236.8
1963 - June	159.4	55.5	214.9	September	174.1	64.3	238.4
1964 - June	164.3	58.5	222.9	October	174.6	64.9	239.5
1965 - June	171.5	62.9	234.4	November	175.9	65.6	241.5
				December	177.5	65.0	242.5

INDUSTRY GROUPS

Industry Group and Sub-group	December, 1964			December, 1965		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	1.3	-	1.3	1.4	-	1.4
Mining and Quarrying	7.1	0.2	7.3	7.0	0.3	7.3
Manufacturing	47.7	8.1	55.8	48.8	8.9	57.6
Electricity, Gas, Water and Sanitary Services	5.2	0.3	5.5	5.3	0.3	5.6
Building and Construction	21.1	0.4	21.5	25.5	0.5	26.0
Transport and Storage -						
Road Transport and Storage	5.4	0.5	5.9	6.0	0.6	6.6
Shipping and Stevedoring	4.1	0.2	4.3	4.0	0.2	4.2
Rail and Air Transport	7.5	0.4	7.9	7.6	0.4	8.0
Total - Transport and Storage	17.0	1.1	18.0	17.7	1.3	18.9
Communication	5.5	1.1	6.7	5.7	1.2	6.9
Finance and Property -						
Banking	3.1	1.4	4.6	3.4	1.5	4.9
Other	2.9	2.2	5.2	3.1	2.4	5.5
Total - Finance and Property	6.1	3.7	9.7	6.5	4.0	10.4
Commerce -						
Retail Trade	17.2	13.4	30.7	17.2	14.8	32.0
Wholesale and Other Commerce	12.7	3.6	16.3	13.2	3.8	17.1
Total - Commerce	29.9	17.0	46.9	30.4	18.7	49.0
Public Authority Activities (not elsewhere included)	8.1	2.5	10.6	8.6	2.8	11.4
Other Industries -						
Health, Hospitals, etc.	3.4	10.6	14.0	3.6	10.9	14.6
Education	5.6	4.9	10.4	5.6	5.0	10.6
Other (b)	10.3	9.7	20.0	11.5	11.3	22.8
Total - Other Industries	19.2	25.2	44.4	20.7	27.2	47.9
TOTAL	168.1	59.5	227.7	177.5	65.0	242.5
Employees of:						
Private Employers	112.9	47.6	160.6	121.1	52.3	173.4
Government Authorities (c) -						
Commonwealth Government (d)	10.8	2.6	13.4	11.1	2.9	13.9
State Government (d)	40.0	8.8	48.8	40.7	9.3	50.0
Local Government	4.4	0.5	4.9	4.6	0.6	5.2
Total - Government Authorities (c) (d)	55.2	11.9	67.1	56.4	12.7	69.1
TOTAL	168.1	59.5	227.7	177.5	65.0	242.5

(a) Figures for current months are subject to revision. Figures do not in all cases add to the totals shown owing to rounding to thousands. (b) Comprises Law, Order and Public Safety; Religion and Social Welfare; Other Community and Business Services; Amusement, Sport and Recreation; and Hotels, Personal Service, etc. (excluding private domestic service). (c) Includes employees of government bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road and air transport, shipping, banks, post office, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories, hospitals and institutions, as well as administrative employees. (d) Includes semi-government bodies.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (a)

Period	Coal Mining	Manufacturing			Building and Construct- ion	Transport		Other Indus- ties	All Groups
		Engin- eering, Metals, etc.	Food, Drink, and Tobacco	Other		Steve- doring	Other		
Number									
Year -									
1960	6	3	2	1	-	28	3	-	43
1961	2	2	2	-	3	12	1	-	22
1962	-	10	3	-	9	5	1	-	28
1963	1	4	-	-	9	10	3	1	28
1964	-	5	3	-	5	10	2	1	26
Quarter -									
1964 - September	-	2	1	-	-	4	-	-	7
December	-	1	1	-	2	2	2	-	8
1965 - March	-	2	-	-	2	5	-	2	11
June	1	1	-	1	-	3	-	-	6
September	-	4	-	2	-	2	-	1	9
Workers Involved (b)									
Year -									
1960	609	251	601	102	-	23,867	254	-	25,684
1961	455	3,787	192	-	151	5,087	15	-	9,687
1962	-	2,993	150	-	1,842	3,326	52	-	8,363
1963	37	6,276	1,793	4,135	5,383	7,566	12,194	5,200	42,584
1964	-	497	146	-	636	2,507	2,094	285	6,165
Quarter -									
1964 - September	-	76	17	-	-	713	-	-	806
December	-	254	30	-	211	143	2,094	-	2,732
1965 - March	-	832	-	-	85	3,615	-	154	4,686
June	165	53	-	200	-	2,784	-	-	3,202
September	-	151	-	76	-	2,229	-	46	2,502
Working Days Lost									
Year -									
1960	4,825	319	1,410	66	-	20,084	638	-	27,342
1961	5,025	532	343	-	992	16,326	15	-	23,233
1962	-	1,771	123	-	2,747	1,555	104	-	6,300
1963	42	4,564	1,061	2,583	5,917	4,336	9,431	4,035	31,969
1964	-	1,438	146	-	1,349	1,625	2,530	60	7,148
Quarter -									
1964 - September	-	89	17	-	-	172	-	-	278
December	-	220	30	-	196	61	2,530	-	3,037
1965 - March	-	493	-	-	281	2,374	-	122	3,270
June	514	53	-	75	-	1,795	-	-	2,437
September	-	929	-	45	-	2,020	-	69	3,063
Estimated Loss in Wages (c) (\$'000)									
Year -									
1960	38.6	1.4	7.2	0.4	-	160.8	4.8	-	213.2
1961	40.4	3.6	5.2	-	9.2	130.6	0.2	-	189.2
1962	-	14.0	1.0	-	21.8	13.2	-	-	50.0
1963	0.4	35.4	8.0	17.4	50.2	38.8	74.4	27.8	252.4
1964	-	10.8	1.2	-	12.0	15.4	23.2	-	62.6
Quarter -									
1964 - September	-	0.8	0.2	-	-	1.6	-	-	2.6
December	-	1.4	0.2	-	1.6	0.6	23.2	-	27.0
1965 - March	-	4.6	-	-	2.8	24.2	-	1.4	33.0
June	5.2	0.6	-	0.6	-	18.4	-	-	24.6
September	-	6.0	-	0.4	-	21.0	-	0.6	27.8

(a) Refers only to disputes involving cessation of work for ten man-days or more.

(b) Includes workers indirectly involved i.e. persons thrown out of work at the establishment where the stoppage occurred, but not themselves parties to the dispute. (c) Figures do not in all cases add to the totals shown owing to rounding to thousands.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

(Source: Department of Social Services)

Month	Persons receiving Benefits (a)			Amount Paid in Benefits		
	Un-employment	Sickness	Special (b)	Un-employment	Sickness	Special (c)
1965 - January	1,847	803	100	78,314	37,104	3,726
February	1,463	882	103	61,330	37,490	3,002
March	1,231	845	103	55,706	47,106	4,414
April	1,160	831	106	43,162	38,584	3,660
May	1,069	818	99	38,260	42,658	3,350
June	1,137	817	99	43,574	42,534	3,746
July	1,203	853	107	50,900	37,332	4,146
August	968	866	116	48,672	43,362	4,648
September	709	792	113	32,338	40,234	3,762
October	610	761	110	26,754	37,790	4,174
November	550	760	111	21,782	34,268	3,796
December	765	679	107	26,190	45,298	3,978
1966 - January	867	692	93	31,152	28,420	3,896

(a) On the last Saturday of each month. (b) Includes migrants at reception and training centres awaiting their first placement in employment. (c) Includes amounts paid to migrants - see note (b).

STATE BASIC WAGE (a)

Date of Operation	Males	Females
	\$	\$
1964 -		
22nd September	30.80	23.10
26th October	31.12	23.34
1965 -		
26th April	31.47	23.60
26th July	31.78	23.84
16th November	31.96	23.97
1966 -		
25th January	32.38	24.28

(a) The amounts shown represent the basic weekly rate applicable to adult workers throughout the State and relate generally to a week of 40 hours. The female rate is fixed at 75 per cent. of the male rate.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

PERTH METROPOLITAN AREA

(Base of each Index Series: Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Group Index Numbers					Com- bined Index (All Groups)
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Miscell- aneous	
Year -						
1960-61	124.4	110.8	141.7	107.3	125.2	121.2
1961-62	123.5	111.7	146.4	107.3	125.3	121.6
1962-63	123.9	112.0	150.9	107.0	125.5	122.2
1963-64	125.4	112.8	155.9	105.2	128.5	123.8
1964-65	130.5	114.1	160.0	106.4	134.2	127.6
Quarter -						
1964 - December	128.4	113.9	159.9	106.2	133.2	126.6
1965 - March	130.1	114.3	160.4	106.6	136.0	128.0
June	133.3	114.7	161.5	106.9	136.2	129.3
September	134.4	114.7	162.9	107.9	136.4	130.0
December	133.9	115.0	165.5	108.0	142.8	131.7

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(\$ million)

Period	Grocer-ies	Butchers' Meat	Other Food-stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits (a)	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Foot-wear	Hardware, China and Glass-ware (b)	Electrical Goods, and Musical Instruments	Furniture Floor Coverings, Mattresses	Chemists' Goods	News-papers, Books, Stationery	Other Goods (c)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.(d)
1960-61	62.0	25.7	45.0	40.6	54.9	9.8	9.4	29.6	15.0	14.0	9.4	30.7	346.1	122.1
1961-62	65.4	27.0	47.3	41.4	57.4	10.2	9.8	27.9	16.0	15.6	10.0	32.3	360.3	133.9
1962-63	66.5	29.1	50.4	43.6	59.8	10.6	10.8	26.6	17.9	17.0	10.3	34.1	376.7	158.9
1963-64	74.9	31.5	53.6	45.7	62.9	11.0	11.3	23.3	18.8	18.8	11.5	37.8	401.1	166.7
1964-65	82.1	34.3	58.5	47.9	67.6	11.8	11.6	24.0	20.5	21.0	12.4	42.1	433.8	165.1
Sept. Qr.														
1960	14.8	6.2	10.4	8.6	13.4	2.4	2.4	7.4	4.0	3.2	2.2	7.2	82.2	33.0
1961	16.2	6.8	11.1	8.8	14.2	2.4	2.4	6.9	3.9	3.7	2.2	7.6	86.2	30.4
1962	16.3	7.0	11.8	9.4	14.4	2.5	2.6	6.9	4.4	4.2	2.5	8.0	90.0	38.6
1963	18.1	7.7	12.6	9.9	14.9	2.6	2.6	5.7	4.4	4.5	2.7	8.7	94.4	42.0
1964	19.6	8.5	13.9	10.4	16.2	2.8	2.6	5.9	5.1	5.0	2.7	9.6	102.3	41.0
1965	22.6	8.8	14.8	11.8	17.4	3.0	2.8	6.4	5.2	5.4	3.0	10.6	111.8	42.4
Dec. Qr.														
1960	16.4	6.4	11.6	11.4	15.8	2.8	2.6	8.0	4.4	3.8	2.6	9.2	95.0	33.2
1961	17.6	6.8	12.2	11.5	16.0	2.8	2.7	8.0	4.4	4.2	2.9	9.4	98.5	33.6
1962	17.5	7.4	13.1	12.1	17.3	2.9	2.9	7.8	4.9	4.8	3.0	10.1	103.8	42.2
1963	19.7	8.0	14.0	12.9	17.6	3.0	3.4	6.5	5.1	5.3	3.2	11.3	110.0	44.9
1964	22.0	8.8	15.5	13.3	19.0	3.2	3.6	6.7	5.8	5.8	3.4	12.7	119.8	40.8
1965	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	128.8
March Qr.														
1961	15.2	6.4	12.2	11.6	11.3	2.0	2.2	6.8	3.2	3.4	2.4	7.0	83.7	27.5
1962	15.6	6.6	12.5	11.6	12.2	2.2	2.3	6.6	3.8	3.8	2.6	7.5	87.3	33.3
1963	15.9	7.1	13.1	12.0	12.3	2.2	2.6	6.1	4.1	3.9	2.4	8.0	89.7	38.4
1964	18.3	7.6	13.8	12.5	13.2	2.3	2.7	5.5	4.4	4.4	3.0	8.8	96.5	39.5
1965	19.6	8.2	14.7	12.8	13.9	2.5	2.7	5.7	4.7	4.9	3.3	9.7	102.7	40.4
June Qr.														
1961	15.6	6.7	10.8	9.0	14.4	2.6	2.2	7.4	3.4	3.6	2.2	7.3	85.2	28.4
1962	16.0	6.8	11.5	9.5	15.0	2.8	2.4	6.4	3.9	3.9	2.3	7.8	88.3	36.6
1963	16.8	7.6	12.4	10.1	15.8	3.0	2.7	5.8	4.5	4.1	2.4	8.0	93.2	39.7
1964	18.8	8.2	13.2	10.4	17.2	3.1	2.6	5.6	4.9	4.6	2.6	9.0	100.2	40.3
1965	20.9	8.8	14.4	11.4	18.5	3.3	2.7	5.7	4.9	5.3	3.0	10.1	109.0	42.9

(a) Excludes sales by licensed clubs. (b) Excludes Basic Building Materials, Builders' Hardware and Supplies, such as Tools of Trade, Paint, etc.
 (c) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Jewellery, Sporting Goods, etc. but excludes Grain and Produce, and Business Machines. (d) Excludes Tractors, Farm Machinery and Implements, Earthworking Equipment, etc.

of
OIL INDUSTRY SALES TO MAIN PETROLEUM FUELS
 (Source: Department of National Development)

(1'000 gallons)

Period	Aviation Gasoline	Motor Spirit (a)	Aviation Turbine Fuel	Lighting Kerosene	Heating Oil	Power Kerosene	Automotive Distillate		Industrial Diesel Fuel		Furnace Fuel	
							Inland	Bunkers	Inland	Bunkers	Inland (b)	Bunkers
1960-61	3,050	92,591	3,679	5,689(c)	(d)	5,264	27,181	242	24,302	15,202	33,251	94,047
1961-62	3,092	99,283	4,122	5,641(c)	(d)	4,621	34,276	225	18,748	13,431	26,117	82,015
1962-63	3,070	107,977	5,918	5,823	272	4,270	39,512	365	17,058	9,775	31,475	73,788
1963-64	3,267	117,486	6,900	5,692	449	3,535	42,256	419	14,613	8,451	49,943	85,344
1964-65	3,020	127,198	9,203	5,765	694	3,259	49,842	671	15,988	8,712	61,238	83,634
1964 - December	207	11,268	871	296	47	250	3,509	50	1,017	842	5,678	7,640
1965 - January	165	10,072	806	283	37	184	2,879	97	1,121	763	3,769	7,705
February	225	10,348	827	319	41	193	3,834	122	1,230	806	4,123	7,157
March	238	11,188	854	359	50	279	4,345	31	1,164	795	5,344	7,332
April	229	10,927	824	390	58	340	4,847	68	1,782	661	4,950	7,069
May	263	10,836	877	576	74	476	6,364	99	1,536	802	5,265	7,439
June	262	11,151	858	679	94	408	6,507	82	1,413	699	5,919	6,762
July	257	10,195	873	751	102	180	4,013	140	1,302	435	6,219	5,515
August	392	13,672	864	776	103	211	4,908	38	1,382	530	5,431	4,784
September	358	10,696	913	547	91	161	4,124	39	1,241	607	5,918	8,876
October	315	9,750	950	389	73	238	4,704	19	1,185	716	5,119	8,652
November	328	11,591	883	378	74	258	5,075	62	1,399	681	5,879	8,046
December	362	12,092	913	311	61	238	4,853	126	1,343	1,260	6,132	8,781

(a) Includes super and standard grades. (b) Excludes refinery fuel. (c) Includes heating oil. (d) Not available separately - see note (c).

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES - RETAIL BUSINESSES AND NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES

(\$ million)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Balances Outstanding at end of period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (b)	
HIRE PURCHASE					
1963-64	44.4	5.9	10.4	60.7	91.3
1964-65	42.3	7.6	9.7	59.6	92.0
Quarters -					
1964 - September	10.5	1.1	2.4	14.0	92.4
December	10.8	2.6	2.6	15.9	94.6
1965 - March	10.3	1.8	2.3	14.4	90.1
June	10.9	2.1	2.4	15.4	92.0
September	10.6	1.2	2.6	14.4	94.2
OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT (c)					
1963-64	5.0	0.1	8.8	13.9	17.0
1964-65	5.1	0.1	8.7	14.0	15.7
Quarters -					
1964 - September	1.3	(d)	2.0	3.3	16.5
December	1.3	(d)	2.8	4.2	16.9
1965 - March	1.2	(d)	1.6	2.9	16.0
June	1.2	0.1	2.3	3.6	15.7
September	1.4	(d)	1.8	3.2	15.2
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT					
1963-64	49.4	6.0	19.1	74.6	108.4
1964-65	47.4	7.7	18.4	73.6	107.7
Quarters -					
1964 - September	11.8	1.1	4.4	17.3	108.9
December	12.1	2.6	5.4	20.1	111.5
1965 - March	11.5	1.8	4.0	17.2	106.1
June	12.1	2.2	4.7	19.0	107.7
September	12.0	1.2	4.4	17.6	109.4

(a) See footnote (a) below. (b) See footnote (b) below. (c) Includes Time Payment, Budget Account, Personal Loan Schemes, etc. (d) Less than \$50,000.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES - NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES

(\$ million)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Collections during period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)	Balances Outstanding at end of period (incl. Hiring Charges, etc.)		
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.		Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)				
	New	Used						
1963-64	22.2	23.2	5.8	4.4	55.6	58.2	78.0	
1964-65	21.6	21.6	7.4	3.8	54.2	62.0	81.0	
1964 - December	2.0	1.8	1.0	0.4	5.1	5.0	82.4	
1965 - January	1.6	1.6	0.4	0.4	3.9	5.4	81.8	
February	1.6	1.6	0.6	0.2	3.9	8.0	78.5	
March	2.0	2.0	0.8	0.2	5.1	6.4	78.4	
April	2.0	1.6	0.8	0.4	4.6	4.8	79.0	
May	2.0	1.8	0.6	0.4	4.9	4.6	80.2	
June	1.6	2.0	0.6	0.4	4.7	4.6	81.0	
July	1.8	1.8	0.2	0.4	4.2	4.6	81.6	
August	2.0	2.0	0.2	0.4	4.5	4.6	82.9	
September	1.6	2.0	0.6	0.4	4.3	4.6	83.6	
October	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	5.0(d)	(c)	84.8(d)	
November	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	5.8(d)	(c)	86.7(d)	
December	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	5.7(d)	(c)	88.1(d)	

(a) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods. (b) Figures do not in all cases add to the totals shown owing to rounding to millions. (c) Not yet available.

(d) Preliminary estimate.

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